

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE 9/28/87

FULL NAME ERIC HILLEBRENNER SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER [REDACTED]
 (No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS [REDACTED]

CITY ORANGE PARK STATE FLORIDA ZIP CODE 32073

DATE OF BIRTH JUNE, 1951 (This is important and should be exact)
 Tel # [REDACTED]

APPROXIMATE AGE _____ (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

RELIGION PROTESTANT NATIONALITY U.S.

OCCUPATION CLERICAL

EDUCATION HIGH SCHOOL

WEIGHT 190-200 HEIGHT 6' RACE CAUC

COLOR OF HAIR BROWN COLOR OF EYES HAZEL

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS INDIAN LORE & INDIAN CRAFTS

MARRIED OR SINGLE SINGLE CHILDREN _____
 (Number, ages, and names, if possible)

NAME OF SPOUSE _____

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

UNIT #	CITY	STATE	POSITION	DATE REGISTERED	DATE RESIGNED
Tr 418	Orange Park	FL	SA	1983	
E 418	Orange Park	FL	MC	1981	

SPECIAL RECOGNITION VIGIL HONOR - ORDER OF THE ARROWSUSPENDED OR DENIED REGISTRATION FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

ACCUSED OF MOLESTATION AND ORAL SEX BY 15 YR OLD YOUTH WHEN YOUTH WAS 8 AND 9 YEARS OF AGE. YOUTH AND PARENTS WENT TO STATES ATTORNEY. DETECTIVE INVESTIGATORS BELIEVE YOUTH IS TRUTHFUL BUT DO NOT PLAN TO FILE CHARGES AT THIS TIME BECAUSE OF LACK OF SUPPORTING EVIDENCE.

SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND DENIAL OF REGISTRATION AND LIST ATTACHED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (STATE ONLY KNOWN FACTS, NOT RUMOR, CONJECTURE OR SPECULATION):

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OCT 13 '87

JOSEPH L. ANGLIM

Signed Frank Davis

SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Council North Fl. #87



NORTH FLORIDA COUNCIL
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

521 S. Edgewood Avenue
Jacksonville, Florida 32205-5359
904-388-0591

May 26, 1988

Mr. Eric Hillebrenner

[REDACTED]
Orange Park, Florida 32073-3273

Dear Mr. Hillebrenner:

Your request for reinstatement of your registration in the Boy Scouts of America has been reviewed by committee.

You will find enclosed, a copy of the findings of the review committee. Based on the facts as outlined in the committee report, your request for reinstatement of your registration with the Boy Scouts of America is denied.

Should you wish to request that the Region review the findings of the committee, you must write within 30 days to the Regional President (James A. Hackney, III, Boy Scouts of America, PO Box 440728, Kennesaw, Georgia, 30144), explaining why you feel the memorandum decision of the committee is in error.

Very truly yours,

A. Dano Davis
President

cc: Homer A. C. Bliss, Esquire
Mr. George Bothwell
Dr. Ernest Miller
Ms. Roberta Richardson
Mr. Frank H. Rains
Mr. George Gable
Mr. Jim Wilson
Mr. Paul Ernst



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MEMORANDUM DECISION

Case: Reinstatement of Registration of
Mr. Eric Hillebrenner

The review committee has investigated the allegations of sexual misconduct of the petitioner which purportedly took place during 1979 and 1980, and submits this written report of its decision.

The committee considered evidence presented by a 15 year old male with whom the petitioner allegedly had contact during that time. The review committee also considered the evidence given by Mr. Eric Hillebrenner in his January 25, 1988, meeting with the committee. During this meeting the members were able to question Mr. Hillebrenner, and he was allowed the opportunity to present anything he deemed relevant to the committee. This meeting was designed to allow a free flow of conversation between the committee members and Mr. Hillebrenner while remaining structured to address the issues of the reinstatement question.

FINDINGS OF FACT:

After full consideration of the facts presented, the committee has made the following findings of fact in regard to the allegations against Mr. Hillebrenner.

1. The petitioner did have substantial contact with the 15 year old male, who was 8 and 9 years old at the time. This contact was at petitioner's home and elsewhere

when they were together without anyone else present.

2. The testimony of the 15 year old was found to be credible, and no sign of ulterior motive could be detected. This finding was made concerning the allegations after careful review by the committee, two of whom have dealt professionally with child sexual abuse.


3. The testimony of the petitioner was found by the members of the committee to be suspect and not reliable. Several members noted that when the petitioner addressed the subject of sexual abuse as alleged, he became red-faced and cotton-mouthed, as well as exhibiting somewhat feminine characteristics through the meeting.

4. The petitioner's lifestyle through his own testimony has in great part been devoid of any romantic relationships with the opposite sex, and has centered in large part on his mother and young boys. The committee finds that these characteristics, as well as his physical manifestations while addressing the subject, are consistent with the allegations which have been made.

5. The facts of this case present the appearance of serious impropriety on the part of the petitioner, and support a finding that he does not possess the moral or emotional qualities necessary to afford positive leadership to youth.

DECISION

The committee, based on the foregoing facts, hereby denies the application of Mr. Eric Hillebrenner for reinstatement of his registration with the Boy Scouts of America.



George D. Gabell, Jr.
For the Committee

Dated: April 5, 1988

April 15, 1988

Mr. Steven K. Moore
Director of Support Service
North Florida Council, No. 87

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Eric Hillebrenner

Dear Steve:

Thank you for the material which you recently sent us on the above-named individual. We feel that the Memorandum Decision of the committee is correct and can be sent to the individual involved. This information is such that I feel it can be released to him with no serious problems.

There is reference on Page 12 of the Procedures for Maintaining Standards of Membership in Item #14 related to the Memorandum Decision of the review committee and the letter which should be sent by the president of the local council. As is indicated, the letter should indicate that the decision is attached and that a review by the regional level can be made if the applicant writes within thirty days. You must, of course, indicate the name and address of the regional president.

This letter can be short and that is about all the material which needs to be included. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to call me and we will discuss it on the phone.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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cc: Southeast Region
Frank N. Rains, Scout Executive, Council No. 87

READY TO FILE
APR 14 1988
ERIN O'RILEY

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GABEL

April 5, 1988

CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. Steven K. Moore
North Florida Council Boy Scouts
[REDACTED]
Jacksonville, Florida 32205

Re: Eric Hillebrenner

Dear Steve:

Enclosed is the Memorandum Decision by the committee which considered this matter.

Also enclosed is a copy of a statement, dated March 5, 1988, which was sent to us following the hearing. It is more like an employment reference than responding to the information which we requested from Mr. Hillebrenner. I have put the Memorandum Decision in essentially the form which Homer Bliss prepared so well.

Please submit the Memorandum Decision to the Registration Service at the National Office for review.

After the National Office has approved the Memorandum Decision and returned it to you, it should be sent to the applicant under cover of a letter from the President of the North Florida Council. You may also want to request the National Office to send a sample letter which they recommend be used.

Very truly yours,

George D. Gabel, Jr.

GDGJr/dh

cc: Homer A. C. Bliss, Esquire
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Dr. Ernest Miller
Ms. Roberta Richardson
Mr. A. Dano Davis
Mr. Frank H. Rains

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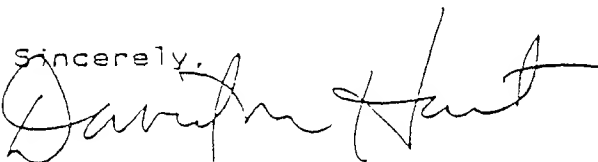
To Whom It May Concern:

Eric Hillebrenner was employed at [REDACTED], Inc. from June 1978 through July 1983. Eric was the warehouse supervisor, with an average of ten persons under his direction.

During the summer months, which was our primary show-season, Eric would also head up many of our "show" crews which would travel throughout the U.S. to set up and sell our goods, and represent the business at Indian Powwows and other related events. This involved supervising the preparation and execution of considerable levels of inventory, personnel, and other logistical details involved in some trips which would often last several weeks.

Additionally, he helped greatly with his personal enthusiasm and dedication to our business. On numerous occasions he would use his own vehicle and time to make weekend trips to represent Treaty Oak (by himself) at Scouting events, Indian Hobbyest events, etc. These trips ranged from south Florida to North Carolina and Louisiana. While he was reimbursed for his out of pocket expense, the time and effort expended by Eric were his personal contribution to a business he was committed to, as well as to the organizations he helped with his attendance.

Sincerely,



David M. Hart
President, [REDACTED] Treaty Oak Indian Store, Inc. (1972-1983)

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MEMO.

TO:

Paul -

DATE 4/12

Please review the enclosed
material and call me if you
have questions -
Note the underlined request - last
paragraph.

Sincerely
Steve



Steven K. Moore
Director of Support Service

North Florida Council
Boy Scouts of America

521 South Edgewood Avenue
Jacksonville, FL 32205
(904) 388-0591

STEVEN K. MOORE
Boy Scouts of America

CONF014582

October 12, 1987

Mr. Frank M. Rains
Scout Executive
North Florida Council, No. 87

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Eric Hillebrenner

Dear Frank:

Thank you for the detailed information sent concerning the above Scouter. This case has been reviewed with our attorney and is now on our permanent Confidential File.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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cc: Southeast Region

READY TO FILE
OCT 14 1987
ERIN O'RILEY

CONF014583

September 8, 1987

Mr. Steven K. Moore
Director of Support Service
North Florida Council, No. 87

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Eric Hillebrenner

Dear Steven:

Thank you for the information concerning the above named individual. This is helpful to us in starting a confidential file which will lead to refusal of registration should attempts be made at a later date.

I am enclosing a Confidential Record Sheet for you to complete so we can identify Mr. Hillebrenner should he attempt registration in another location.

I would like to know if any charges have been placed in a court of law. We would like to have copies of any court records or newspaper clippings. Any information you can give us concerning this matter to complete our file will be appreciated.

Thank you for your help in protecting the youth of America.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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Enclosure

cc: Southeast Region
Frank N. Rains, Scout Executive, North Florida Council, No. 87

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Gerald Bard Tjoflat
Chairman of the Board

A. Dano Davis
Council President

NORTH FLORIDA COUNCIL

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

521 S. EDGEWOOD AVE.

JACKSONVILLE, FL. 32205 • 388-0591

SUBJECT: Eric Hillebrenner visit, Thursday August 27, 1987

DATE: August 28, 1987

NOTES: Steven K. Moore, Director of Support Service

At 5:30 p.m. I met Reverend Joe Jursa, Pastor of Calvary United Methodist Church, Daisy Pugh, Scouting Coordinator for the church and Arthur W. Pugh, III, Unit Commissioner for Troop and Post 418 sponsored by Calvary United Methodist Church. We met in the church parking lot, and were driven by Arthur Pugh to the residence of Mr. Eric Hillebrenner whose address is [REDACTED] Orange Park, Florida 32073

After ringing the doorbell we were invited into the house by Mr. Hillebrenner. We sat in the living room, provided him a copy of the letter from Council President A. Dano Davis, dated August 25, 1987, regarding the suspension of Eric Hillebrenner's Boy Scout Registration. Mr. Hillebrenner read the letter. He was asked if there was any comments or questions. He said he was expecting to hear from us. He was aware of the accusations by [REDACTED] regarding immoral activities. The conversation was pleasant and without antagonism. Mr. Hillebrenner asked if it would be possible to have his registration reinstated after this issue was cleared up. He was informed that there were procedures for reinstatement, if he were to contact the Scout Service Center at that time, he would be provided the proper information to pursue that course of action.

The group departed the Hillebrenner residence together at about 5:45 p.m. and returned to the church parking lot.

cc: A. Dano Davis
Frank Rains
-Paul Ernst
Council File

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*Have now
deleted all registrations
9-4-87
cm*

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Catch The Scouting Spirit

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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
521 S. EDGEWOOD AVE.
JACKSONVILLE, FL. 32205 • 388-0591

Gerald Bard Tjoftat
Chairman of the Board

A. Dano Davis
Council President

August 25, 1987

Mr. Eric Hillebrenner
[REDACTED]
Orange Park, Fl 32073

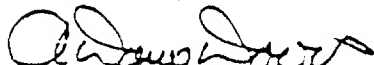
Dear Mr. Hillebrenner:

After careful review, we have decided that your registration with the Boy Scouts of America should be suspended. We are therefore compelled to request that you sever any relations that you may have with the Boy Scouts of America.

You should understand that BSA leadership registration is a privilege and is not automatically granted to everyone who applies. We reserve the right to suspend registration whenever there is a concern that an individual may not measure up to the high standards of leadership which the BSA seeks to provide for American youth. Please also understand that this decision and the reasons for it will be maintained as confidential.

If you wish to have this decision reviewed, please write to me, explaining your version of the facts supporting your claim that your registration as a BSA leader should be reinstated.

Sincerely yours,


A. Dano Davis
President

Catch The Scouting Spirit

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W A T S C A L L F O R M

CALL BACK REQUESTED _____

COUNCIL # 87

PHONE NO: _____

CALLER: FRANK RAINS

POSITION: S.E.

TYPE OF PROBLEM

REGISTRATION _____

VETERANS _____

EXPLORING _____

SCOUTING _____

BOYS' LIFE _____

UNIT # _____

DIST. # _____

EXP. DATE _____

TRANSMITTAL # _____

FILM # _____

SHARING PORNOGRAPHIC MATERIAL
WITH KIDS

HILLEBRENNER

ERIC HILLEBRENNER

SA

S0418 - 025403

EA

E2418 - 015312

3/4 6/51

CLAIM NOW OF SEXUAL MOLESTATION
OF 9 YR OLD - 6 YRS AGO

SEND MAINTAINING SDS TODAY
sent 1st dismsg
8/8/87 - R

*Added to CF file -
did not delete registration
pending further info
from CO.*

NAME P. Cant

DATE 8-18-87

TIME _____